IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE R.BASANT

MONDAY, THE 26TH NOVEMBER 2007 / 5TH AGRAHAYANA 1929

Bail Appl..No. 7203 of 2007()

CR.NO.139/2007 OF ARYANAD EXCISE RANGE

: PETITIONER/ACCUSED

LALITHA, AGED 60 YEARS,
D/O.GOURI, CHARUVILA VEEDU, BHAJANAMADAM,
KOTTAKKAKAM MURI, ARYANAD VILLAGE,
NEDUMANGAD TALUK.

BY ADV. SRI.NAGARAJ NARAYANAN
SRI.SAIJO HASSAN
SRI.A.S.SABU

RESPONDENTS: STATE

STATE OF KERALA, REPRESENTED BY
THE PUBLIC PROSECUTOR, HIGH COURT OF KERALA,
ERNAKULAM.

BY PUBLIC PROSECUTOR SRI.JAI GEORGE

THIS BAIL APPLICATION HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 26/11/2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY PASSED THE FOLLOWING:

R.BASANT, J.

B.A.No.7203 of 2007

Dated this the 26th day of November 2007

O R D E R

Application for regular bail. The petitioner, a woman, faces allegations under the Kerala Abkari Act. The petitioner was allegedly found to be in possession of 60 litres of wash and other materials for illicit distillation on 09/11//2007. She surrendered on 12/11/2007 and continues in custody from that date. She has no history of any criminal antecedents, submits the learned Public Prosecutor.

2. The learned counsel for the petitioner prays, the learned Public Prosecutor does not oppose the said prayer on condition that the investigating officer is granted reasonable further time to complete the investigation and I am satisfied that regular bail can be granted to the petitioner subject to appropriate conditions.

3. In the result, this petition is allowed. The petitioner shall be enlarged on bail on the following terms and conditions:

i) The petitioner shall not be released on bail on the strength of this order prior to 5/12/2007. The investigating officer shall, in the meantime, make every endeavour to complete the investigation.

ii) She shall execute a bond for Rs.50,000/- (Rupees fifty thousand only) with two solvent sureties each for the like sum to the satisfaction of the learned Magistrate.

iii) The petitioner shall make herself available for interrogation before the investigating officer between 10 a.m and 12 noon on all Mondays and Fridays for a period of two months from the date of her release and thereafter as and when directed by the investigating officer in writing to do so.

(R.BASANT, JUDGE)

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ORDER

21ST DAY OF MAY2007